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SUBJECT: AHRAM REPORTS PEACE CONFERENCE TO BE HELD

UNDER UN AUSPICES

- 1. DECEMBER 11 AHRAM CONTAINS ARTICLE STATING THAT CAIRO'S RECENT CONTACTS WITH TWO SUPERPOWERS, UN, AND UNSC PERMANENT MEMBER STATES, REGARDING GENEVA PEACE CONFERENCE ARRANGEMENTS HAVE RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING:
- (A) CONFERENCE IS TO BE HELD UNDER UN AUSPICES, IN ITS BUILDING, AND UNDER UN FLAG.
- (B) UNSYG WALDHEIM WILL PRESIDE OVER CONFERENCE FOR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SPEECH WILL BE FOLLOWED BY SPEECHES GIVEN BY GROMYKO AND SECRETARY KISSINGER.

- (C) IN SUBSEQUENT STAGES, TWO SUPERPOWERS WILL JOINTLY PRESIDE OVER CONFERENCE.
- (D) QUOTE: THERE ARE DELEGATIONS WHICH WILL ATTEND THE CONFERENCE DURING ITS FIRST STAGE; THOSE WITH WHICH CONTACTS HAVE BEEN HELD REGARDING ATTENDANCE AT THE CONFERENCE ARE EGYPT, SYRIA, JORDAN AND ISRAEL. END QOTE
- (E) QUOTE: THERE ARE OTHER DELEGATIONS WHICH ARE EXPECTED TO PARTICIPATE DURING THE SECOND STAGE OF THE CONFERENCE, AMONG WHICH ARE DELEGATIONS REPRESENTING LEBANON AND DELEGATES REPRESENTING PALESTINE.END QOTE
- (F) EGYPT ALWAYS FAVORED PARTICIPATION OF PERMANENT MEMBER STATES OF SC IN THE CONFERENCE, DESPITE THE FACT THAT CHINA HAS A SPECIAL POSITION REGARDING RESPONSIBILITY BORNE BY TWO SUPERPOWERS IN ESTABLISHING PEACE; IT IS POSSIBLE, HOWEVER, TO INFORM THESE COUNTRIES OF THE DEVELOPMENTS OF THE SITUATION.
- 2. AHRAM CONCUDES THAT EGYPT IS GIVING ATTENTION TO ARRANGEMENTS FOR PEACE CONFERENCE, BUT BELIEVES THAT ITS SUBSTANCE IS THE ESSENCE OF THE CONFERENCE ITSELF. EGYPT'S AIM, SAYS AHRAM, IS: (A) ESTABLISHMENT OF PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST THROUGH THE RECOVERY OF ALL ARAB- OCCUPIED TERRITORIES, AND (B) THE RESTORATION OF THE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE. EILTS

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